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Russian Federation: draft resolution

Situation of human rights in Estonia and Latvia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 47/115 of 16 December 1992 and 48/155 of 20 December 1993,

Taking into account relevant provisions of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,[1]

Mindful of the concluding observations of the Human Rights Committee on the initial reports of Estonia[2] and Latvia,[3]

Having considered the oral information provided by the Secretary-General pursuant to resolution 48/155,

1. Welcomes the efforts undertaken by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and the Council of the Baltic Sea States, in particular with regard to improving the situation of the so-called 'non-citizens' in Estonia and Latvia, and encourages further efforts of the relevant regional

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[1] Resolution 217 A (III).

[2] CCPR/C/79/Add.59.

[3] CCPR/C/79/Add.53.

organizations, as well as bilateral efforts of interested countries, in this direction;

2. Calls upon the Governments of Estonia and Latvia to take necessary legislative and administrative measures to resolve the remaining issues in accordance with the recommendations of international and regional bodies;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to monitor the efforts undertaken in this regard at regional, bilateral and other levels and to inform the Assembly at its fifty-third session on progress achieved in the situation of human rights in Estonia and Latvia.